

SCHIST LAKE/BIG ISLAND COTTAGE OWNERS' ASSOCIATION

SPRING AGM, JUNE 7, 2023, 7:00 pm

Northminster United Church

Executive Present

John Clark, President; Kristina Lies, Vice-President; Menno Giesbrecht, Treasurer; Ted Hewitt, Secretary;
Directors – Claudette Pachal, Bonnie Baginski, Tana Kluba and Lynn Fortier.

Those absent: Paul Harrison, Director.

Residents Present-Total of 25 – copy on file.

1. Adoption of Agenda
Moved by Blair Sapergia to accept as presented. Seconded by Tana Kluba. Approved. Copy is on file.
2. Minutes of Fall AGM Meeting, October 13, 2022
Minutes were read by Ted Hewitt. Claudette Pachal requested her motion in section 5 to be amended to read, Motion by Claudette Pachal to investigate possible tendering for grading, plowing and gravelling. A vote was taken and the amendment was accepted.
Moved by Gord Hill to accept minutes as read and amended. Seconded by Rick Dansereau. Approved. Copy is on file.
3. Treasurer's Report
Menno Giesbrecht presented the Treasurer's Report and discussed same. Present account balance available is \$9,743.32. Moved by Blair Sapergia to accept report as read. Seconded by Farley Hemmings. Approved. Copy is on file.
4. Area Director and Committee Reports/Concerns
Claudette Pachal, South End Big Island – no concerns.
Bonnie Baginski, Creekside/Bayside – noted that someone had dumped some rubbish in a clearing – will take care of it.
Blair Sapergia, North End Big Island –discussed the boat launch area and leveling of the land for parking – looks good (200 yds of gravel).
Tana Kluba, Point Road – no issues.
Lynn Fortier, Easy Street – bears have been around – dog attack was an issue but animal now being tethered.
Greg Agerbak, Inlet Arm Road Committee Report – two culverts have been improved, annual gravelling was completed, and water and binder applied for dust control. All work was done on or below budget. Copy on file. Thanks to all the volunteers.
Rick Dansereau, Fire Committee Report – Report presented and copy on file. He indicated that the pump tests have been completed, one larger pump needs to be purchased, the emergency warning system will be tested twice soon, and they are considering upgrading the short-cut between Koba Lane and Easy Street for emergency travel.
Motion to accept all Director and Committee reports by Kristina Lies. Seconded by Blair Sapergia. Agreed.

5. G-2 Regulation for Cottage Levies – Process for Voting
John Clark discussed the Google email survey system. Some issues have been noted. A work in progress.
6. Cottage Area Proposed Budgets
Menno Giesbrecht discussed the account balances and updates/projections for each area. It appears that all areas have good balances. Copies presented to cottagers present at the meeting. Copies on file.
7. Old Business – Updates on Previous Issues and Concerns
John Clark updated CAMP. It is presently being discussed with the ADM, DM and M of IRNR. Belief is that it will pass Cabinet by late summer.
John Clark indicated that the restructuring of the cottage areas for Levy purposes will pass Cabinet prior to Fall 2023.
John Clark had a discussion with senior members of IRNR stationed in Thompson and was told that we cannot tender contracts independent of IRNR. If we request a tender through IRNR then the tender will be sent to a government list for bids.
Blair Sapergia commented on the removal of the Trout Lake Dam. He indicated that HudBay will dismantle the dam but has no schedule to do so. If anyone has concerns regarding the Trout Lake Dam they are invited to contact Landice Yestrau, Manager of Environmental Control, HudBay Minerals by email at hb.env@hudbayminerals.com.
John has some information on the spraying for Spruce Bud Worm. He was informed that no spraying has been carried out for the last 10 to 12 years and there are no plans to do so in the future.

8. New Business

- a) Proposed Changes to Constitution --
 - 3(b) to be revised by deleting the word annual and to read as Membership and voting privileges are only valid upon payment of the current membership dues.
 - 5(a) The Executive Committee to include the Past President for one year only and without voting privileges.
 - 6(c) A quorum is to be decided upon for financial and important issues.
 - 7(d) To be revised to read as The Executive will inform IRNR of any requested changes to the Fees for residents as defined in Appendix 1 of this Constitution.
- b) Fish Stocking of Lakes
 - LACOA is arranging for a presentation on July 13. Residents of SLBICOA are invited to attend. Time and location to be determined. (Bakers Narrows Lodge, 7:30pm)
- c) Annual Dues
 - John Clark led a discussion on whether dues should be collected for this period. Motion by Rick Dansereau to maintain current collection system of gathering dues (\$50) every 2 years. Seconded by Menno Giesbrecht. Passed with a vote of 11 to 7.

- d) Facebook Page
 - Bonnie Baginski discussed the Facebook Page. Permission is needed from Bonnie and for access to use Schist Lake Big Island Cottage Owners Association.
- 9. Adjournment
 - Moved by Rick Dansereau to adjourn. 9:15pm.